

Asian American Heritage Committee

January 22, 2002

Members present:

Dave Seery, Nancy Cain McCombe, Dr. Shiono, Debbie Misajon, Dan Wilson, Karen Yee, Saroj Bahl, Rashmi Ravindra, Richard Wang, Michael Whitelock, Jane Muckle, Dewi Wong, Maggie Choi, Mari-Lou Wong-Chong,. Shenaz Choudhury

Next meeting:

Tuesday

February 19, 2002

10:00 AM

Room 200 Federal Bldg.

STUDENT NOMINATION FORMS

A few minor changes were made to the application forms. It was also suggested that the letters of reference from the teachers detail what their relation to the student is, i.e., been in my program 3 years, have known student for 2 years, etc.

The nomination forms were also e-mailed to anyone on Dave's list so they are readily accessible for distribution from the groups. Forms are also available on the FEB website.

Cut off date is February 16 so many of the groups will have to start the process of picking the top 3 students. Some students may call and ask if they can mail in a late application because of grades, letters and what not. All applications should be

accepted, maybe marked as “late” and then it would be up to the group to decide how to handle it.

HEINZ Program

Dave, Judi and Donna met with Nancy on January 18 to discuss HEINZ DAY. Nancy explained HEINZ Day according to our new form prepared by Judi. Sheets were handed out and one is attached for those who did not attend the last meeting.

The lecture series is still not confirmed but have someone in the back of your mind just in case.

Nancy will alert all the media from the Heinz end of the upcoming events **but it is imperative that we meet all the timeframes in order to get the word out to as many people as possible!** So, all groups need to complete their forms by February 19th to hand in at the meeting so that Judi, Mike and Richard can get back to Nancy. After everything is finalized, maybe each group can place a small blurb in your monthly newsletter or church bulletin. Dewi mentioned a quarterly publication called “Whirl” that advertises non-profit activities in Pittsburgh – she will contact them to see if they will attend our luncheon and/or Heinz performances. Their calendar is complete thru July 2002 so we can't make this year but maybe next year.

Speaker: possibilities from INDIA or FILIPINO groups. For those of you keeping track the breakdown is as follows:

1983 JAPAN	1990 FILIPINO	1997 THAILAND
1984 CHINA	1991 VIETNAMESE	1998 BANGLADESH
1985 VIETNAMESE	1992 KOREAN	1999 FILIPINO
1986 KOREAN	1993 CHINA	2000 KOREAN
1987 CHINA	1994 INDIA	2001 VIETNAMESE
1988 INDIA	1995 JAPAN	2002 ?
1989 JAPAN	1996 CHINA	

Summary by Groups:

BANGLADESH	1	JAPAN	3
CHINA	4	KOREAN	3
FILIPINO	2	SINGAPORE	0
INDIA	2	THAILAND	1
INDONESIA	0	VIETNAMESE	3

Dave showed those in attendance the extra credit passport that we tried in 1994 at Century III Mall. Looks like a good idea but more discussion will be needed especially if we plan on doing the teachers Act 86 Certification.

Further discussion is warranted in regard to “passes” for Heinz Day. Nancy, Dave, Judi and Donna had a brief discussion on this matter but have not come up with a solution.

LUNCHEON MAY 3, 2002

Still no restaurant but we are still looking.

MISCELLANEOUS

Chinese New Year – held January 26, 2002 – Fox Chapel Yacht Club.

Chinese New Year – February 16, 2002 - North Hills Alliance Church, 5:30 PM.

Michael presented the committee a videotape of last years performances, at Heinz. The tape is available for anyone to borrow and Dewi took the tape for viewing and will either pass it on to another member or return it to the committee for future reference.